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The Senate convened at 1:33 p.m., with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, David C. Long, in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by Senator Patricia L. Miller.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Senator Long.

The Chair ordered the roll of the Senate to be called. Those present were:

Alting Long Becker Lubbers **Boots** Meeks Bowser Merritt Bray Miller Breaux Mishler Broden Mrvan Deig Nugent Delph Paul

Dillon Riegsecker ▶

Drozda Rogers Errington Simpson Ford Sipes Gard Skinner Heinold Smith Hershman Steele Howard Tallian Hume Walker Jackman Waltz Kenley Waterman Kruse Weatherwax Lanane Wyss Landske Young, M. Lawson Young, R. Lewis Zakas

Roll Call 258: present 48; excused 1. [Note: A indicates those who were excused.] The Chair announced a quorum present. Pursuant to Senate Rule 5(d), no motion having been heard, the Journal of the previous day was considered read.

# REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Madam President: I hereby report that due to the death of Senator Anita Bowser on March 4, 2007, a vacancy was created in Senate District 8. Pursuant to my direction, Senator Bowser's name will remain on the Roll of Senators until such time as the process to name her successor is complete and the new Senator has taken the oath of office.

LONG

Report adopted.

# RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

# **Senate Concurrent Resolution 55**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 55, introduced by Senators Hume and Waterman:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana department of transportation to designate a portion of US 41 in the City of Vincennes as the "Clarence J. 'Mac' McCormick III Memorial Highway".

Whereas, Clarence J. "Mac" McCormick III was a valued and influential business and community leader;

Whereas, Mr. McCormick co-founded and served as chairman and CEO of Best Way Express and expanded that trucking business from a modest beginning of four trucks to a nation-wide company with over 400 trucks, warehousing and logistical services;

Whereas, The American Trucking Association posthumously appointed Mr. McCormick as chairman of the board of directors because of his efforts as a tireless ambassador for the trucking industry;

Whereas, Mr. McCormick served with distinction on the boards of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, Indiana Business for Responsive Government and the Indiana Chamber of Commerce:

Whereas, Mr. McCormick was Chairman of the Indiana Motor Truck Association:

Whereas, The Indiana Chamber of Commerce selected Mr. McCormick as the 2006 Business Leader of the Year;

Whereas, The Vincennes University Board of Trustees posthumously awarded Mr. McCormick an honorary Doctorate of Business due to his outstanding accomplishments as a business leader;

Whereas, Mr. McCormick served as Chairman and CEO of McCormick Inc., Bomac Equipment Corp., KMA Trucking, BestWay Logistics, and Ouabache Leasing;

Whereas, Mr. McCormick served on the Vincennes University board of trustees and the VU Foundation board; and

Whereas, The VU Foundation, because of his admirable service to the University and community, established the "Mac Award," a scholarship in honor of Mr. McCormick: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

SECTION 1. That the service of Clarence J. "Mac" McCormick III to our state and nation be commemorated by asking the Indiana department of transportation to designate US 41 in City of Vincennes from its intersection with Sixth Street to its intersection with Willow Street as the "Clarence J. 'Mac' McCormick III Memorial Highway".

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation, C. James McCormick, Michael D. McCormick, Patrick E. McCormick, Jane Anne Wissel, Eli McCormick, Ry McCormick, Will McCormick, Andree Neal, Richard Helton, and Mayor Terry Mooney.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs.

# **Senate Resolution 16**

Senate Resolution 16, introduced by Senator Landske:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Council to direct the Census Data Advisory Committee or other appropriate committee to begin preparations for the 2010 Census.

Whereas, The 2010 Census is now three years away; and

Whereas, There are numerous details involved in completing the decennial census: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to direct the Census Data Advisory Committee or other appropriate committee to begin preparations for the 2010 Census. These preparations shall include studying the software programs available for the decennial census and any other necessary preparations.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

# **Senate Resolution 18**

Senate Resolution 18, introduced by Senator Delph:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the establishment of an interim study committee to assess the investigatory powers of the Secretary of State regarding violations of Indiana election law.

Whereas, Free elections serve as evidence of a thriving democracy which promotes stability and harmony in our society;

Whereas, The Secretary of State serves as a vanguard of Indiana's electoral process and is responsible for the certification of election results; and

Whereas, An interim study committee is needed to review and determine what powers should be delegated to the Secretary of State to investigate violations of Indiana election law. These powers might include the authority to issue subpoenas and civil investigative demands, and to seek the appointment of a special prosecutor if the Secretary of State considers the appointment necessary in the investigation of a complaint: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to establish a study committee to assess the investigatory powers of the Secretary of State as they relate to violations of Indiana election law.

SECTION 2. That the committee, if established, shall operate under the direction of the legislative council and shall issue a final report when directed to do so by the council.

The resolution was read in full and referred to the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

# REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Senate Concurrent Resolution 31, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said resolution do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0.

WYSS, Chair

Report adopted.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1338, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

STEELE, Chair

Report adopted.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1357, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

WYSS, Chair

Report adopted.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred Engrossed 556 Senate March 13, 2007

House Bill 1386, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

STEELE, Chair

Report adopted.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1427, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

WYSS, Chair

Report adopted.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1166, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 3, delete "a" and insert "either of the following:

- (1) A facility containing at least one hundred thousand (100,000) square feet of building space that:
  - (A) is adjacent or complementary to an existing tourism attraction, a tourism attraction project being developed under IC 5-29-5, or a convention facility; and
  - (B) provides the patrons of the facility a variety of leisure and entertainment options, including:
    - (i) at least one (1) major themed restaurant; and (ii) at least three (3) additional entertainment venues, including live entertainment facilities, multiplex theaters, large format theaters, motion simulators, family entertainment centers, concert halls, virtual reality or other interactive games, museums, exhibitions, or other cultural or leisure time activities.
- (2) A convention center and meeting conference center that:
  - (A) is owned by a municipal corporation (as defined in IC 36-1-2-10); and
  - (B) contains at least forty thousand (40,000) square feet of building space."

Page 1, delete lines 4 through 17.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 6.

Page 3, between lines 11 and 12, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"(8) A winery.".

Page 13, between lines 5 and 6, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(m) Except as provided in subsection (h), nothing in this section may be construed to disqualify a bureau member who is serving on the bureau before January 1, 2007, from continuing to serve the bureau member's full term of office. Notwithstanding subsection (g) and except as provided in

subsection (h), the term of office of a bureau member who:

- (1) is serving on January 1, 2007; and
- (2) is appointed by the executive (as defined in IC 36-1-2-5) of:
  - (A) Hobart; or
  - (B) Highland;

expires June 30, 2011.".

(Reference is to HB 1166 as reprinted February 20, 2007.) and when so amended that said bill be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy.

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

FORD, Chair

Report adopted.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1237, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, delete lines 21 through 42.

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 23.

Page 4, delete lines 41 through 42.

Delete pages 5 through 7.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1237 as reprinted February 16, 2007.) and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 4.

WYSS, Chair

Report adopted.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Corrections, Criminal, and Civil Matters, to which was referred Engrossed House Bill 1653, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 10, after "who" insert "knowingly or intentionally".

(Reference is to HB 1653 as reprinted February 20, 2007.) and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

STEELE, Chair

Report adopted.

# REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Madam President: Pursuant to Senate Rule 65(b), I hereby report that Engrossed House Bill 1278, currently assigned to the Committee on Appropriations, be reassigned to the Committee on Local Government and Elections.

LONG

Report adopted.

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed Engrossed Senate Bills 94 and 192

with amendments and the same are herewith returned to the Senate for concurrence.

CLINTON MCKAY

Principal Clerk of the House

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed, without amendments, Engrossed Senate Bill 5 and the same is herewith returned to the Senate.

CLINTON MCKAY
Principal Clerk of the House

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed House Concurrent Resolutions 27 and 29 and the same are herewith transmitted for further action.

CLINTON MCKAY Principal Clerk of the House

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed Senate Concurrent Resolutions 51 and 52 and the same are herewith returned to the Senate.

CLINTON MCKAY Principal Clerk of the House

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Madam President: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed House Concurrent Resolution 28 and the same is herewith transmitted for further action.

CLINTON MCKAY Principal Clerk of the House

# RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

# **House Concurrent Resolution 29**

House Concurrent Resolution 29, sponsored by Senators Ford and Kruse:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana department of transportation to designate old U.S. 27 as a national historical road.

Whereas, Old U.S. 27 has contributed a significant economic and social benefit to the state of Indiana by serving as a major north to south artery for commerce from northern Michigan to southern Florida, including a 175 mile stretch along Indiana's eastern border;

Whereas, These economic and social benefits contributed to the growth and prosperity of the state of Indiana;

Whereas, The designation of old U.S. 27 as a national historic road would increase tourism and lead to increased economic development; and

Whereas, There is a great need to preserve and promote old U.S. 27 due to the important role it has played in our heritage: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly supports the effort to designate old U.S. 27 as a historical road that will promote tourism and economic development opportunities in Indiana.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation.

The resolution was read in full and adopted by voice vote. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the resolution.

# **Senate Concurrent Resolution 56**

Senate Concurrent Resolution 56, introduced by Senators R. Young, Alting, Becker, Boots, Bray, Breaux, Broden, Deig, Delph, Dillon, Drozda, Errington, Ford, Gard, Heinold, Hershman, Howard, Hume, Jackman, Kenley, Kruse, Lanane, Landske, Lawson, Lewis, Long, Lubbers, Meeks, Merritt, Miller, Mishler, Mrvan, Nugent, Paul, Riegsecker, Rogers, Simpson, Sipes, Skinner, Smith, Steele, Tallian, Walker, Waltz, Waterman, Weatherwax, Wyss, M. Young, and Zakas:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION Memorializing Senator Anita Bowser for her many years of outstanding service on behalf of the citizens of Indiana and, more particularly, the citizens of north central Indiana.

Whereas, Senator Bowser had a long and highly successful career as a political science professor at Purdue University;

Whereas, Senator Bowser was a respected scholar, having received a bachelor's degree from Kent State University, a law degree from McKinley School of Law, a master's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree from the University of Notre Dame;

Whereas, After retiring as a professor Senator Bowser launched her legislative career by being elected to the House of Representatives in 1980 and subsequently being elected to the first of her four (4) terms in the Senate in 1992;

Whereas, During her career in the legislature she was a passionate defender of civil liberties, a champion of workers' rights and a tireless advocate against the imposition of the death penalty;

Whereas, Senator Bowser successfully authored legislation that precluded the imposition of the death penalty on mentally retarded individuals and on individuals less than eighteen years of age;

Whereas, Senator Bowser received numerous awards for her

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service, including the Louis Ingelhart Award for Freedom of Expression, the Amnesty International Abolitionist of the Year Award, and the Robert Dole Owen Legislator Award from the Civil Liberties Union twice in the fifty year history of the award; and

Whereas, Although revered for her intelligence and accomplishments, she will perhaps be most remembered for the kindness and warmth she conveyed to everyone she met: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:

SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly honors the lifetime service and achievements of State Senator Anita Bowser.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to her nephews Thomas Albu and Jame Albu, her niece Emily Albu, her brother Carl Albu, the University of Purdue - North Central, Baker Woods Enrichment Center, and the LaPorte County Democratic Party.

The resolution was read in full and adopted by standing vote. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the resolution. House sponsors: Representatives Pelath and Klinker.

#### **House Concurrent Resolution 28**

House Concurrent Resolution 28, sponsored by Senator Bray:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION congratulating the members of the Martinsville High School girls softball team on the occasion of their victory in the 2006 Indiana High School Athletic Association Class 4A State Softball Championship.

Whereas, The Martinsville High School girls softball team earned its second consecutive Class 4A State Softball Championship with a 1-0 victory over top ranked Chesterton High School, becoming the first team in the history of the Indiana High School Athletic Association to earn back-to-back state championships;

Whereas, The championship game featured two of the state's top pitchers and was a low scoring event;

Whereas, Alaina Zloty scored the only run off a Jessica Breeden stand-up double in the top of the third;

Whereas, The Artesians advanced to the Class 4A final game with a victory over Kokomo;

Whereas, After establishing a 2 - 0 lead over Kokomo in the top of the first inning, the Artesians enjoyed a seven run third inning en route to an 11 - 0 victory

Whereas, The championship victory capped off an amazing season for the Artesians;

Whereas, Catcher Jessica Breeden was named the 2006 Miss

Softball by the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association;

Whereas, In addition to being named Miss Softball, Jessica was named to the first-team All-State team by the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association (ICGSA) and played in the ICGSA North-South All-Star Game where she hit the game winning grand slam for the South squad in Game 1; and

Whereas, The Martinsville High School girls softball team stands as an example of what can come of hard work and discipline: Therefore,

> Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the members and coaches of the Martinsville High School girls softball team on their victory in the 2006 IHSAA Class 4A State Softball Championship and wishes them success in their future endeavors.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to team members Leah Hoffman, Jessica Breeden, Elizabeth Gwaltney, Lynn Zloty, Mikala Trimble, Chelsea Scott, Allison Baldridge, Jodi Porter, Logan Lucas, Abby Calloway, Alaina Zloty, Ali Roddy, Tracy Michel, Monica Schwab, Jessica Stoner, Brittany Pruitt, Sarah Ezell, Emily Sullivan, Melissa Daniels, Jordan Baldridge, Megan Michel; head coach Ken Rhoden; assistant coaches Rob Rhoden, Nicki Ewing, Sara Currier, Katie Baughn, Randy McKinney, and John Roddy; athletic director Don Lipps; principal Don Alkire; and superintendent Ron Furniss.

The resolution was read in full and adopted by voice vote. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the resolution.

# **Senate Resolution 17**

Senate Resolution 17, introduced by Senator Nugent:

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean on its 150th anniversary.

Whereas, The St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean was founded in 1857 by a small group of German-speaking immigrants. The congregation built a white frame church on the west side of what is now State Road 129, and hired a pastor;

Whereas, In the beginning, worship and instruction were offered only in German, and each member was required to contribute firewood for the pastor and church. It was during this time that the congregation grew quite large;

Whereas, The second fifty years at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean were marked by a great deal of change. The congregation rapidly became more "American," converted to using English, organized a choir and started holding Sunday School by the time

of World War I;

Whereas, More recently, women have been integrated into the ranks of leadership, an education building was constructed, and the church successfully merged with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; and

Whereas, The congregation of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean remains faithful to the Lord through changing times. The church is a pillar of the community and its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary is worthy of recognition: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. The Indiana State Senate honors the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean on its 150th anniversary.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Marcus Felde, Pastor of the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Olean.

The resolution was read in full and adopted by voice vote.

# ENGROSSED HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

# **Engrossed House Bill 1075**

Senator Kenley called up Engrossed House Bill 1075 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 259: yeas 48, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the bill.

# **Engrossed House Bill 1381**

Senator Bray called up Engrossed House Bill 1381 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 260: yeas 48, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the bill.

# **Engrossed House Bill 1456**

Senator Becker called up Engrossed House Bill 1456 for third

reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 261: yeas 48, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the bill.

# **Engrossed House Bill 1037**

Senator Alting called up Engrossed House Bill 1037 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 262: yeas 48, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the bill.

# MOTIONS TO DISSENT FROM HOUSE AMENDMENTS

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that the Senate dissent to the House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill 94 and that a conference committee be appointed to confer with a like committee of the House.

LANDSKE

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Heinold be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1075.

KENLEY

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senators Miller and Gard be added as cosponsors of Engrossed House Bill 1497.

LUBBERS

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Rogers be added as

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cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1349.

MISHLER

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senators Wyss and Heinold be added as coauthors of Senate Concurrent Resolution 31.

LAWSON

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Errington be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1484.

**BRODEN** 

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Breaux be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1075.

**KENLEY** 

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Wyss be removed as sponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1425 and that Senator Heinold be substituted therefor.

WYSS

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Wyss be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1425.

HEINOLD

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senators Wyss, Merritt, Becker, Boots, Delph, Heinold, Paul, Breaux, Lewis, and Rogers be added as cosponsors of Engrossed House Bill 1306.

 $M.\ YOUNG$ 

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Delph be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1059.

**LUBBERS** 

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Rogers be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1722.

HERSHMAN

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Broden be removed as sponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1351 and that Senator Weatherwax be substituted therefor.

**BRODEN** 

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Broden be added as second sponsor and Senator Lubbers be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1351.

WEATHERWAX

Motion prevailed.

#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Delph be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1484.

BRODEN

Motion prevailed.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Howard be added as cosponsor of Engrossed House Bill 1037.

ALTING

Motion prevailed.

# RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

# **House Concurrent Resolution 27**

 $\label{eq:concurrent} House\ Concurrent\ Resolution\ 27, sponsored\ by\ Senators\ Delph\ and\ M.\ Young:$ 

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION recognizing the Ben Davis High School Dads Organization.

Whereas, The Ben Davis High School Dads Organization was recently awarded the Mayor's Character Achievement Award for its contributions to and involvement in education at Ben Davis High School;

Whereas, The Mayor's Character Achievement Award was presented to the Ben Davis High School Dads Organization for its efforts in urging fathers to take an active role in the school community by helping advance student achievement;

Whereas, The mission statement of the Ben David Dads Organization is to "provide a support service for Ben Davis High School through collaboration with parents, school personnel and the community, as we challenge students to reach their greatest potential";

Whereas, The Ben Davis Dads Organization was established in 2004 and consists of 37 fathers who last year devoted more than 2.100 volunteer hours:

Whereas, The role of the Ben Davis Dads is multifaceted and includes mentor, advocate, role model, and friend;

Whereas, The Ben Davis Dads assist in academic, fine arts, and extracurricular areas;

Whereas, Members of the Ben Davis High School Dads Organization are called upon to attend school functions, assist in events that need extra supervision, help monitor the school building when needed, participate in community service projects, mentor, and serve as role model; and

Whereas, The Ben Davis Dads have exhibited their willingness to serve in all areas of Ben Davis High School and Vocational Centers helping to foster a true learning community: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, the Senate concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly congratulates the members of the Ben Davis High School Dads Organization on receiving the Mayor's Character Achievement Award and thanks them for their hours of service to the students of Ben Davis High School. Their dedication helps develop an atmosphere conducive to learning and maintain an open line of communication between children and adults. They serve as outstanding role models for the young people of our state.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Jim Wilson, Reverend Anthony Bondon, Mike Morrow, and Dave Thomas, members of the Ben Davis High School Dads Executive Board.

The resolution was read in full and adopted by voice vote. The Chair instructed the Secretary to inform the House of the passage of the resolution.

# SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move we adjourn until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, March 15, 2007.

LAWSON

Motion prevailed.

The Senate adjourned at 2:26 p.m.

MARY C. MENDEL Secretary of the Senate REBECCA S. SKILLMAN
President of the Senate